

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claim in the application.

Claims 1-8 (canceled)

Claim 9. (Currently amended) A chain saw in combination with a device for braking a motor shaft within the chain saw, ~~which motor shaft is optionally contained within a housing~~, said device comprising a brake band that at least partially surrounds an area of the motor shaft, and at least one guide component that cooperates with the brake band and holds the brake band in its axial position, wherein the brake band comprises at least one projection formed as one piece with the brake band.

Claim 10 (canceled)

Claim 11. (Previously presented) The device of claim 9, wherein the at least one projection is a bulge of the brake band.

Claim 12. (Currently amended) The device of claim 9, wherein the brake band is in the form of a loop having a radial work path, and wherein the at least one projection comprises an outside diameter, and wherein the outside diameter of the at least one projections is greater than the sum of the outside diameter of [[a]] the loop formed by the brake band plus the radial work path of the loop.

Claim 13. (Currently amended) The device of claim ~~[[9]]~~ 18, wherein the guide component is attached to the housing ~~of the motor shaft~~.

Claim 14. (Currently amended) The device of claim ~~[[9]]~~ 18, wherein the guide component is formed in one piece with the housing.

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Claim 15. (Currently amended) The device of claim ~~[[9]]~~ 18, wherein the housing comprises at least one radial recess for receiving the projections.

Claim 16. (Previously presented) The device of claim 15, wherein the recess is formed by two guide components.

Claim 17. (Previously presented) The device of claim 15, wherein the recess is formed in the housing by counterdipping in a die-casting tool.

Claim 18. (New) The device according to claim 9, wherein the motor shaft is contained within a housing on the chain saw.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheet of drawings includes a change to Figure 5. This sheet, which includes Figures 5 and 6, replaces the original sheet including Figures 5 and 6. In Figure 5, element 26 ("recess") has been renumbered as "33".

Attachment: Replacement Sheet
Annotated Sheet Showing Changes